Indianapolis Repeater Association, Inc. Monthly Board Meeting August 25, 2025



Meeting was held in person at Murphys after dinner and initiated by Frank Hughes NF9H, President who called it to order at 7:24pm

Board members in attendance were Frank Hughes NF9H, John Shouse W9JS, Mike Scercer WA9FDO, Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, Matt Brown NE9D, Don Smith N9BGW, Noel Mortier N9NMM, Bob Burns AK9R

Matthew presented the July Board Meeting minutes. Bob motioned to accept; Mike seconded with no objections.

The treasurer's report was presented via email by Bob and it represented finances through August 25, 2025. Matthew Bechdol motioned to accept; Mike seconded with no objections.

## **Old Business:**

Review repeater status: Nothing new to report at this time.

## **New Business:**

- Interference: Frank didn't get the audio pulled from July 17. Mike (and others) noted that weak signals seem to have a 'power line' interference noise into the 146.700 repeater.
- It is noted that the Parent company of WTHR is being bought. (We have 2 antennas on the WTHR tower).
  - Last engineering study on WTHR tower was maybe 2017
- ARRL Affiliate status Frank was able to get a hold of somebody at the ARRL and is finishing the process by completing our profile.
  - o It is possible the affiliate status was lost due to callsign changes in the past.
  - o There is apparently a duplicate entry that needs addressed.
- Next meeting September 22 at the Salvation Army EDS

## **Open Forum**

• Matthew Bechdol asks to use the 146.625 as a backup repeater for the Monumental Marathon, there were no objections.

Mike motioned to adjourn, Matt Brown seconded, all agreed with no objections and the meeting ended at 7:45 pm

Minutes collected and submitted by Matthew Bechdol W9SOX, IRA Board Secretary Minutes approved at September 22, 2025 Board Meeting